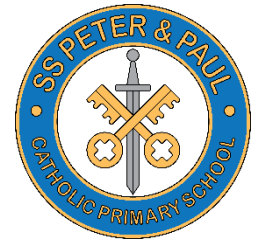


SS Peter and Paul Newsletter



Term 5 21st June 2024

First Holy Communion – Saturday 7th June



On the 7th June 12 of our Year 4 children are received their First Holy Communion at Clifton Cathedral. It was a lovely service celebrated by Canon Colin, who has recently taken over as Cathedral Dean. We congratulate them on this next step in their journey of faith and look forward to celebrating with them and our school community at Mass

on our feast-day on Friday 28th June. Everyone is invited to join us for Mass at 9.30am, in the school hall and for our community picnic in the grounds of St Joseph's at 12noon. Please meet in the school grounds before 12 noon and we will go into St Joseph's together. Don't forget your lunch! No nuts please.



Class Masses

Years 3, 4 and 6 attended Mass at St Joseph's Nursing Home on Thursday 6th June. The children enjoy attending Mass in the chapel and the residents enjoy watching Mass on the CCTV in their rooms and hearing the children sing. The Mass was celebrated by Canon Colin Mason.



Year 2 Seaside Assembly

Year 2 presented their Class Assembly on Friday 14th June. The children were impressive, they learnt an incredible amount, acting out the story of Duffy, a sea turtle who had swallowed plastic bags that looked like jellyfish, recited 2 poems and learnt a sea shanty and a second song too. The theme was a message from the creatures of the sea pleading to be heard, asking us to use less plastic which is ending up in our seas and oceans threatening wildlife. All of the class rose to the occasion and thoroughly enjoyed presenting their assembly to their parents/ carers and the rest of the school with great enthusiasm and confidence. Well done Year 2 and thank you to the teachers who helped you to prepare so well.



Y6 Leavers' Mass



Year 6 children from all over the diocese took part in the Year 6 Diocesan Leavers' Mass which was celebrated at Clifton Cathedral 14th June. It was the first time Bishop Bosco had celebrated the

Mass for the children which made it an extra special occasion. It is always a lovely occasion seeing so many of our young people gathering together as they prepare to move on to secondary school. Our children presented a basket of vegetables to remind us of the wonderful world God has created for us. The children all looked very smart in their Year 6 leavers' hoodies.

EYFS and Year 1

EYFS and Year 1 visited the Wild Place on Tuesday 18th June to consolidate their learning about animals and living things. The children enjoyed seeing all the animals and learning about their habitats and feeding routines. The children attended the Safari Workshop where they were able to handle animal skins and horns and understand that the features of the animal are related to where they live and whether they are a predator or prey. Thank you to all the parents who gave up their day to come with us, we could not have undertaken the trip without your help.



Year 2 Trip to Weston-Super-Mare

On Thursday the 20th June, Year 2 travelled to Weston super Mare by train. It was a lovely, sunny day and the children were very excited as we boarded the train at Clifton Down Station. We were able to see the city from a different perspective as we made our way to Weston. When we arrived at the beach we all enjoyed a delicious ice-cream and then visited the pier, followed by lunch and games on the beach. In class, we have read the 'Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' so we kept our eyes open for 'pesky seagulls'. Luckily, no lunches or ice-creams were stolen by them! Year 2 had a great time and many passers-by commented on their good behaviour. Our apologies to parents for any sand that may have been brought home in children's trainers!



Bikeability

Two groups of children from Year 4 and Year 5 have completed their sessions of Bikeability. The children learnt basic Road Safety and how to be safe cyclists, which is an important life skill. If you child has a bike please make sure that they have a cycle helmet which fits them properly. A helmet can save your life if you fall off your bike.





Year 6 Visit to the RWA

Year 6 visited the Windrush exhibition which honours the accomplishments and legacy of the Windrush generation, the name given to the men and women who arrived in Britain on HMT Empire Windrush in June 1948 and those who followed them. On display were ten portraits of remarkable Caribbean-British individuals by ten leading artists.

The children studied the portraits and then had a chance to complete their own version of their favourite portrait.

LOWER PRIMARY
AGE: 3-7

INTRODUCTION DELIVERY

STAMP 1
STOP AND THINK

STAMP 2
STAY TOGETHER

STAMP 3
FLOAT

STAMP 4
CALL 999/112

ACTIVITY: WATER SAFETY PASSPORT 1

LEARNING OUTCOME: 1 To understand the four key messages (Stop and Think, Stay Together, Float and Call 999/112). Details inside.

Time: 30 mins | Format: Assembly or classroom activity | Maximum participation: Whole school

Lifeboats

RNLI

Year 2 had a visit from the Royal National Lifeboat to talk about water safety and how to stay safe when playing in or around water. This is particularly important when the weather is hot and the idea of jumping into cool water is very inviting but can also be extremely dangerous. The children were shown the floating position so that they would be able to stay afloat even if they could not swim. Please make sure that your children know basic water safety so that they can enjoy the water whilst being safe.

Outside Art Installations

Over the last three weeks the children have been working on some art installations to reflect prayers and stories from the Bible. Each class has taken a theme and created an installation for the children to use. Year 3 made wicker fish for the Fisher of Men, EFYS represented our mission statement, Year 4 created the Burning Bush, Year 6 created images for the Canticule of the Sun Prayer and Year 2 made doves of peace. The children have enjoyed looking at each other's art work.



Sports Update

Cricket

9 children from Years 5 and 6 went to Frenchay Cricket club to play in a Dynamos Cricket Tournament. The team played well with two strong wins and were narrowly beaten in a third game. We are very proud of all the children who represented the school and behaved beautifully. Thank you to Mrs Partridge who organised the team and took the time out to them to the tournament.



We are delighted to announce that our Year 6 Boys Cricket Team qualified for the County Championship which took place on Friday 21st June in Cheltenham. The team played well winning one match and losing two. We are very proud of their efforts and very grateful to Mrs Partridge for training the team and to St Bede's College for providing a mini-bus enabling the children to go.

Refugee Week 17th June to 23rd June

"To me, a home is where you feel loved, safe, and cherished." - Malala Yousafzai

Every class in school discussed what it would be like to be a refugee by learning about plight of refugees. The children talked about what was important to them in their homes and what they would miss. We also celebrated the contributions and creativity that refugees bring to our society. They also discussed how you welcome refugees and make them feel at home. Each class made a window of welcome which are now displayed in the hall and Year 2 made some welcome chairs.



PTFA

Thank you to our AMAZING PTFA. The Summer Fair was a fantastic success. Thank you to everyone who helped collect items, advertising and raffle prizes beforehand. To those who set up on the day, manned the stalls, supported by spending your money and those that helped clear away at the end. We are very grateful to the PTFA and especially Luana Gaddeo whose organisational skills are outstanding. We look forward to announcing how much we have raised but the fair is more than just a fund-raising event it was also a great community event bringing us all together.





Slip, Stop, Slap, Seek and Slide



The sun is now quite strong during the day it is important that children don't get sun burnt at school. Please make sure you apply suntan lotion before the children come to school and that they bring a sun hat with them, preferable blue in colour.

Unfortunately, we don't have the capacity to apply suntan lotion in school so please do not send it in.

Reading Challenge

The summer reading challenge started on June 17th and runs for 8 weeks until 9th August. Joining the challenge is free at any library and is a great way to encourage your child to keep reading through the summer holidays.

Term Dates

2023/2024

Term 6 ends on Tuesday 23rd July 2024

There are no further Inset Days this year

Inset days for 2024/2025

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Friday 25th October 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

